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In the Specification:

Please insert the accompanying paper copy of the Sequence Listing, page number 1, at the end of the application.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully assert that the Notification of Defective Response has been issued in error. In the Notification, the paragraph below the listing of items submitted states that

"Applicant's response filed 07/19/2002 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 05/20/2002 have not been completed."

The Notification then gives a one month time limit to respond to a request for a Sequence Listing. However, the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)" mailed 05/20/2002 does not contain a request to comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures. A copy of this Notification is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

Because the error occurred as an oversight by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, we do not believe that any additional fee is due. However, should the Commissioner find otherwise, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be owed to Deposit Account No. 20-1430.

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If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,

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